

WELCOMED
BY PRES. TAFTFifth International Congress of
Hygiene and Demography

HAVING 3000 DELEGATES

Taft Declared That We Need to Develop
Under Government Auspices a Bu-
reau for Pushing Research
Along These Lines.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 23.—Welcomed by the president and attended by three thousand delegates from all parts of the world, the international congress of hygiene and demography opened today. It was the first time in sixty years that the congress has met in the United States. Replies were made to President Taft's greeting by the head of the delegations from each of thirty-three countries represented. After the morning session, the congress prepared to start on a series of lectures and discussions, which are to continue throughout the week. A garden party at the White House is scheduled for this afternoon.

In his address President Taft declared: "We need to develop under government auspices a bureau or a department, in which the funds of the government should be expended for research of every kind useful in the practice and enforcement of hygiene and preventative medicine."

"That something of this sort may grow out of the present United States public health service there is reason to believe," he continued, "but it will need far greater appropriations and a widening of its scope of duties before it shall have filled the place that the medical profession of this country has a right to expect the general government to create in the progress of hygiene and demography."

"Our responsibilities in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines and now of the Isthmus of Panama, have so enlarged our knowledge of the possibilities of successful sanitation under the most burdensome conditions and have so impressed both professional men and the laymen at all familiar with the conditions with the necessity for more rigid and comprehensive health laws, and a stricter enforcement of them for the general public good, that if the Spanish war resulted in nothing else, it was worth greatly more than its cost in this useful development of one of the most important functions that modern government has to discharge, as well as in making clear the need of an additional branch of general education in the matter of hygiene of the home and the individual."

"When we first went into the tropics our purpose was to make the region habitable for white people. We have demonstrated that as a possibility. Now we have gone beyond the mere provision for those who come from the temperate zone, and we are engaged in developing the tropical races into a stronger and freer and more civilized people than they have ever been before."

"I consider it a proud record for the American Army that through its medical corps engaged in hygienic work in the tropics so many important discoveries as to the transmission of disease and the methods of stopping its spread, have been given to the world, and all of this is dated chiefly from the time of the Spanish war."

"It is very certain that but for those discoveries the construction of the Panama canal which now since 1904 has been going on with giant strides and which will be completed within a year, would have been impossible. The possibilities of improvement through governmental hygiene of tropical countries are so great that it makes one who has any conception of what they are growing out of, feel in the contemplation of what centuries may bring forth in this regard."

TAFT LAUDS LINCOLN.

Writes Letter to Western League of
Republican Clubs.

Beverly, Mass., Sept. 23.—President Taft left Beverly last night by motor for Boston on a three-day trip to Washington, New York and Altoona, Pa. In Washington the president will address the opening meeting of the international congress on hygiene and demography, receive delegates to the national conference of Catholic churches, and attend a night meeting under the auspices of the National Emancipation society. He will be in New York for more than eight hours Tuesday and expects to see Chairman Hill of the Republican national committee, George R. Sheldon, its treasurer, and probably state leaders.

Leaving New York late Tuesday night, the president will arrive in Altoona early Wednesday and become the guest of the local war veterans' conference. He will return to Boston Wednesday night, reaching Beverly Thursday morning.

Before the president left Beverly last night, White House officials made public a letter he wrote to John W. Thompson, president of the Western New York league of Republican clubs, Rochester, N. Y., giving his comments on Emancipation day and the courage of President Lincoln. The letter reads as follows: "I am very sorry not to be able to celebrate with you the anniversary of the emancipation proclamation issued by President Lincoln on September 22, 1862, fifty years ago. I expect to attend an annual celebration of the event in Washington on the 23d of this month. The issuance of the emancipation proclamation was the initial and the most important step in the freeing of five millions of slaves, who with their descendants have now grown into ten millions, and constitute more than 10 per cent. of our total population."

"It is, of course, an event in which every lover of his country takes an intense interest. Until the emancipation of the negroes, the assertion that ours was the country of liberty was untrue. The constitution and the declaration of independence were utterly at variance with each other in the recognition that the former gave to property in human kind. The evasion of the canon represented in the social institution of slavery

enabled all Americans to look the world in the face and say that our pretensions to absolute freedom were founded on fact and did not need the saving of exceptions in order to make them truthful.

"Mr. Lincoln suffered greatly by the criticism and abuse of those who thought he did not act quickly enough in issuing the emancipation proclamation, and later from the attacks of those who thought the act was a great mistake. Now, as we look back upon it, we realize that his selection of the time was most fortunate. He delayed action until he could take it as a war measure under the constitution, and could defend what he did as within his lawful power as commander-in-chief of the army and navy in the prosecution of the war.

"The emancipation did not free all the slaves. It could not free those who were in territory not within the area of war; but after he had issued this proclamation, the completion of the steps needed to secure the abolition of slavery as a constitutional amendment was a necessity and only a matter of time. It is right, then, that Lincoln should be held up in history as the man chiefly responsible for the freedom of the negro."

"I sincerely hope that your celebration will be as successful as the greatness of the subject of your gathering merits."

WILSON'S CAR DERAILED.

But the Presidential Candidate Was Not
Occupant at the Time.

Sea Girt, N. J., Sept. 23.—Following his rule not to discuss politics on Sunday, Governor Woodrow Wilson yesterday declined to comment on the quoted declaration of United States Senator James A. McPherson of New York, that although not a delegate, he will go to the Democratic state convention in Syracuse on October 1, "to fight for Governor Wilson."

Accompanied by Mrs. Wilson and Dudley Field Malone of New York, Governor Wilson went for a long automobile ride yesterday afternoon. He did not return from Jersey City where he spoke Saturday night until 2:30 o'clock Sunday morning. His private car was derailed when it was being shunted from the Manhattan transfer station at Communipaw and the trip to Sea Girt was made in a Pullman car. The governor was not on the private car when it left the track.

Upon his return from Princeton Tuesday to vote in the senatorial primaries and Wednesday he will leave for Connecticut and Massachusetts for a speaking trip of three days.

MISTAKE IN ORDERS
CAUSE OF WRECKTwo Persons Killed and Many Others
Hurt When an Excursion Train
Collided With a Coal Train
at Niles, N. Y.

Friendship, N. Y., Sept. 23.—Two persons were killed and a score were injured, three probably fatally, last night when an excursion train on the Pittsburgh, Shawmut & Northern railroad collided with a coal train at Niles, two miles west of here. The wreck is said to have been due to a misunderstanding of orders.

The dead are:
W. A. HARRIS of Fillmore, N. Y.
MISS GRACE MARSH of Portville, N. Y.

The probably fatally hurt are:
W. H. JOHNSON of Olean, engineer on the passenger train.
MRS. E. J. SCOTT of Bolivar, terribly crushed.

MRS. IDA COSTELLO, Portville, condition serious.

Among the injured whose condition is not considered serious are: Guy Woodard, architect; Mrs. J. Brown, Richmond; William Burdette, Portville; John Ingals, Olean; Mr. and Mrs. John Williams and son, Olean; Treman Hall, Portville; Mrs. G. H. Andrews, Olean; Miss Helen Michael, Olean; Robert Lafin, brakeman, Olean; William Rowe, Portville; Jeremiah Wells, Angelica; Miss Agnes Jordan, Friendship; Menzo Jordan, Friendship.

The wrecked passenger train was a regular Sunday excursion train, which carried passengers from points along the Shawmut east of Olean to Stony Brook, a summer resort between Hornell and Dansville. The crew of the excursion train had orders to take a siding at Friendship for an eastbound freight train.

In the Friendship yards, the engineer saw a freight train standing on the siding, which he believed was the one he had orders to meet, and the excursion train pulled out for the west after discharging a few passengers.

The passenger train was running at the rate of about 40 miles an hour when it collided with the freight train at Niles. The combination baggage and smoking car was badly wrecked and all but one of the four day coaches were derailed.

Relief corps were quickly organized by the railroad and crew, and the injured were removed to nearby farm houses, where they were given first aid. Word was sent to Friendship to send all the available doctors, and several were taken to the scene of the wreck in automobiles. Later a relief train was sent to Niles and the remainder of the injured were brought to the sanatorium here.

GRANITEVILLE.

Death of Master George Riddel at Heaton
Hospital Yesterday.

The marriage of George Hanta of Graniteville and Miss Hilma Nahlanaki of the same place took place Saturday evening at the residence of the groom. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. MacArthur in the presence of a number of interested friends.

The death of Master George Riddel, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Riddel of Williamstown, occurred at the Heaton hospital in Montpelier yesterday morning. The boy was 16 years old and had been at the hospital for two months, suffering intensely from what appeared to be a very severe case of internal growth. Besides his parents, he leaves three sisters and four brothers, as follows: Mrs. Edith Milne of Barre, Misses Alice and Carrie of Graniteville, Charles of Detroit, Mich., William, Ernest and Alexander of Graniteville. The funeral service will be held from his late home Wednesday at 2 p. m. Friends will kindly omit flowers.

Miss Queenie MacArthur, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Cochrane, in northwestern Canada, has returned to her home, accompanied by Mrs. Dumares of Montreal, who will visit here for some time.

LAST APPEALS
MADE TO-DAYBy Seekers After Massachusetts
Gubernatorial Nominations

THE PRIMARIES TO-MORROW

Gov. Foss and District Attorney Pelletier
Are After Democratic Nomination and
Joseph Walker and Col. E. C.
Benton After Republican.

Boston, Sept. 23.—Closing appeals to the voters were made to-day by six hundred men, who will be candidates in the state primaries to-morrow for places on the Democrat-Republican tickets at the November election. Many leading candidates continued their stumping tour today. Governor Foss, the Democratic candidate, is opposed by District Attorney Pelletier, Joseph Walker and Col. Everett C. Benton are the Republican candidates for governor.

Gov. Eugene N. Foss said that he not only would be nominated over District Attorney Joseph C. Pelletier of Suffolk county, but would be re-elected for a third time in November. District Attorney Pelletier, on the other hand, declared he would defeat Governor Foss by at least 25,000 votes.

On the Republican side, the chairman of the campaign committee of Joseph Walker, former speaker of the state House of Representatives, said that Mr. Walker would carry every city in the state and get not less than two-thirds of the Republican votes in the primaries. Col. Everett C. Benton of Belmont, Mr. Walker's opponent, felt absolutely satisfied that he would win the nomination.

Political writers look upon the contest on Tuesday as a sort of semi-final round for the November election, with the Progressives, Prohibitionists and Socialists to qualify for the finals by petition. The third-rounders announced their candidates for state officers last night and will spend the next two weeks in securing the necessary number of names to insure a place on the official ballot. It is expected that the Socialists and Prohibitionists also will obtain names for candidates selected at recent conventions of these parties.

Governor Foss, who is seeking a third nomination at the hands of the Democrat-Republican party, has been a figure in Massachusetts politics for nearly ten years. He was first a Republican, but after suffering defeat several times in that party, he set the pace for the Democrat-Republican landslide of 1910, when he was elected to Congress in the fourth district, up to that time strongly Republican.

District Attorney Pelletier is holding his first public office. During the past three months he has been active in bringing to the attention of the grand jury questions connected with labor interests and has based his campaign to some extent on his record in office.

Former Speaker Walker, who has served six terms in the lower house of the legislature, three as presiding officer, was defeated for the Republican nomination for governor last year by Louis A. Frothingham, who was subsequently defeated by Governor Foss.

Colonel Benton has never before been a candidate for public office. He has been an active party worker, and one of his claims for Republican recognition is that he defeated Mr. Foss in a contest for delegate-at-large to the Republican national convention in 1904.

BOSTON WELCOMES
A WORLD-WIDE BODYInternational Combined Chambers of
Commerce Will Open Session This
Evening, Delegates Arriv-
ing To-day.

Boston, Sept. 23.—Boston to-day formally threw open her gates to the largest world-wide representative body of men ever gathered together in America, who came as delegates to the fifth international combined chambers of commerce, which opens its sessions to-morrow. Eight hundred prominent commercial men from nearly all the civilized countries found the city the mecca of pilgrimages. All the hotels are thrown open to delegates. Nearly every city has combined in the consummation of the plans of the reception and entertainment of the visitors at headquarters. The congress opens in Copley square this evening, with a reception of delegates under the auspices of the Boston Chamber of Commerce.

MAY WEAR RELIGIOUS GARB.

Secretary Fisher Is Upheld by President
Taft.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 23.—Secretary Fisher's action, last January, in revoking the order of former Indian Commissioner Valentine, barring religious garb or insignia from government Indian schools, was upheld by President Taft, in an order made public yesterday.

The decision of the president is that teachers now employed in Indian schools may continue to wear the garb of their religious orders; but the privilege is denied to any persons hereafter entering the service. This ruling will enable the government to fulfill its obligations, the president says, to the teachers who were taken into the government service when religious schools were taken over bodily as government institutions.

The president's ruling is the final step in a controversy that has engaged the interior department with religious bodies more than a year. Commissioner Valentine's order would have prohibited any teacher from wearing religious garb in the Indian schools after the end of the last school year.

President Taft's order, and a letter from Secretary Fisher to Mr. Valentine, which accompanies it, lay stress on the fact that Commissioner Valentine issued his ruling without consulting the secretary or the president; and while the entire subject was under investigation, Mr. Fisher's revocation of the order now is made final.

FATHER IDENTIFIED
BODY AS HIS SON'SMcKinley Mathews, Aged 16, Died at
Point au Roche, P. Q., of Exposure
—Left His Home Sept. 15.

Middlebury, Sept. 23.—The body of the unknown man found in the hay in a warehouse at Point au Roche, P. Q., was identified by Charles J. Mathews as that of his son, McKinley Mathews, a youth of 16, who disappeared from his home a mile east of Middlebury, on Sunday, Sept. 15. The body was brought here Saturday night by the father, who has pursued an unrelenting search since the boy disappeared.

The body of the unfortunate youth was found by H. D. Gale, owner of the warehouse. Death had resulted from exposure while imprisoned between high bales of hay. The boy made a desperate struggle to escape, as was shown by his shoes, which were worn from his feet at the heels. The lower tiers of hay were torn nearly a quarter off.

Mathews disappeared from his home while his parents were away, and his wandering off is thought to have been due to a sudden attack of insanity, as it is known that he suffered a fall earlier in the morning, when he struck on his head. It is thought that he crawled into the warehouse to sleep and that he rolled off into a crevice, where he had probably lain for several days.

The clues that led to his identification were a cap purchased at a Middlebury store, a ticket to the Middlebury fair, and initials on his collar. Telegraphic communication was had with authorities here, and the description of the body was given to the young man's father, who went Friday to view the body.

Besides his parents, who are nearly prostrated with grief, he is survived by two brothers, Edward and Fred. The funeral was held this afternoon, Rev. Mr. Lancaster of the Congregational church and the Rev. Richard B. Esten of the Memorial Baptist church, officiating. Burial was at the West cemetery.

HAD A CALM SUNDAY.

Theodore Roosevelt Has to Thank Wil-
liam Allen White for It.

Emporia, Kans., Sept. 23.—William Allen White, assisted by "Old Tom," his black horse, took charge of Colonel Roosevelt yesterday and gave him the most peaceful Sunday he has had since the campaign opened.

Mr. White, who is a progressive national committeeman for Kansas, was Colonel Roosevelt's host, "Old Tom" jogged soberly to church with Colonel Roosevelt this morning and in the afternoon ambled through the quiet shaded streets of Emporia while the colonel took the air.

Mr. White had issued a public appeal to the people of Emporia in the interests of Colonel Roosevelt to "give the man the one thing in the world he needs most, rest."

"Let Emporia show him that if he wants to sit on the front porch and read the papers he can do it, and attract no more attention than any other man doing the same thing."

Some of the people had planned differently. They had arranged to give Colonel Roosevelt a Kansas welcome, beginning with a band concert at 2:30 a. m., when he arrived here from Topeka. These plans were cancelled when the colonel's wishes became known. His stop was not interrupted when the train drew in and when the congregation gathered at the Dutch Reformed church, no one knew that the colonel would be there until he entered the building.

The only departure from the rules laid down came when Colonel Roosevelt left town. A crowd gathered near the station to see him off, and he was cheered by a fire engine going campaigning in Missouri.

FIRE CAUGHT FROM CHIMNEY.

Blaze in Lawrence Building Called Out
Montpelier Fire Department.

A general alarm at 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning in Montpelier called out the fire department for a blaze in the Lawrence building. The fire started in a closet in the tenement of Ray Soper on the third floor, and because it was noticed when it first ignited was extinguished by chemicals without much damage resulting except to the floor of the closet.

Mrs. D. E. Spicer, who lives on the floor below, was awakened by the crackling of the flames and upon investigation saw the flames coming down through the steel ceiling. Mr. Spicer rang in the alarm and continued investigating until it was found the fire was on the floor above. It apparently started from the chimney, which is about three feet from where the blaze started and smoldered until the door was opened, when it burst into flame.

Mr. and Mrs. Soper were not awakened until they heard the many people in the hallway and at that time their rooms were full of smoke.

BEER AND WINE STOLEN.

House in Montpelier Gave Up a Quantity
Last Night.

The house of Emilio Molinari on Barre street, Montpelier, was entered last night and a barrel of bottle beer and some wine was stolen, entrance being effected by the cellar window. The marauders took their loot to rear of the stonehills in that vicinity and proceeded to have a "high old time" as the indications showed when the officers were called into the case this morning. There was a quantity of empty bottles lying around, and there were some which hadn't been emptied.

The police arrested three men who are alleged to have been concerned in the affair, but the men were said to be in such condition that they wouldn't be brought into Montpelier city court at once.

COVERED WITH STAB WOUNDS.

Dead Body of Slavonian Found at Tor-
rington, Conn.

Torrington, Conn., Sept. 23.—Covered with stab wounds the naked body of John Fedone, aged 38, a Slavonian, was found yesterday lying in a small pathway in the northern section of the borough. The man's clothes were found near the body. The police have so far been unable to unearth the slightest clue or find the weapon with which the man was killed. When last seen he was attending a party Saturday night.

Weather Forecast.
Probably local rains Tuesday; moderate southeast and south winds.

RECOGNITION
IS THE BONEOver Which Contention Has
Arisen in Piano Industry

10,000 MEN GO ON STRIKE

On Their Side, the Workers Demand an
Increase of Fifteen Per Cent. in
Wages—Delegates To-day Came
to Decision to Strike.

New York, Sept. 23.—A strike of piano makers for fifteen per cent. wage advance started to-day, the delegates representing approximately ten thousand workers voting in favor of the strike. The employers will make their principal fight against the recognition of the union.

ECKELBERRY—HAMMOND.

Bride for Eight Years Bookkeeper for
Trow & Holden in This City.

Cards have been received announcing the marriage of Robert B. Eckelberry of Dresden, Ohio, and Miss Florence Hammond, a nine-year resident of this city. For the past eight years, the latter has held the position of head bookkeeper in the office of the Trow & Holden company.

The ceremony took place on the evening of Wednesday, September the eighth, at St. Paul's Episcopal church, Maumee, Ohio, the Rev. Lewis E. Duggan, rector of St. Albans' Episcopal church of Toledo, Ohio, officiating. The ring service was used. The bride was given away by her brother-in-law, F. S. Gates. Becomingly gowned in light blue tulle and wearing a large white picture hat, the bride presented a very charming appearance.

Following the ceremony at the church, a wedding supper was served at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. F. S. Gates. The dining room was attractively adorned with pink carnations and ferns, while the decorations in the other rooms were lavender and white asters, mingled with ferns. The bride and groom were the recipients of many beautiful gifts of silver, cut glass, etc.

After a short wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Eckelberry will take up their residence at Dresden, Ohio. They will be at home after October 1.

VANATTI—CHIRAVELLI.

Wedding Followed by Banquet and Then
a Dance.

The wedding of Miss Mary Chiravelli of 33 Granite street to Francis Vanatti, of 27 Granite street, took place at the city clerk's office Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, Justice of the Peace James Mackay performing the ceremony. The bride was attended by Miss Lena Abiatti, and Guido Vanatti acted as best man. After the wedding, the guests went to Woodman's hall in the Bolster block, where a bridal dinner was served. In the evening, a dance was held in honor of the newly married couple. The dance order continued until midnight, and refreshments were served throughout the evening.

Mrs. Vanatti is one of the best known young women of the Italian colony, and the groom, a stonecutter, is also well known. They will make their home at 33 Granite street.

EMSLIE-DAVIDSON.

Marriage of Popular Young People of
Barre To-day.

Miss Helen Davidson and John Emalie, both of this city, were united in marriage at 10:30 this forenoon, the ceremony being performed at the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. J. W. Barnett, on Walnut street. The couple were attended by Miss Alice Davidson, a sister of the bride, and by Alexander Emalie, a brother of the groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Emalie started by automobile and took the train at Northfield for a wedding trip to Boston, and on their return they will reside at 28 West street. The bride is a well known young woman of Barre and has many friends. Mr. Emalie is a member of the firm of Emalie Bros., who conducts a restaurant on Depot square.

STEPHEN—CAMPBELL.

Bride and Groom Both Residents of This
City.

Mrs. Catherine Campbell and James Stephen, both of this city, were united in marriage at the home of the bride Saturday evening at 8 o'clock, Rev. Duncan Salmon performing the ceremony. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. James Peterson. The happy couple left on the midnight train for Boston and Quincy.

NOVEL TRIP TO ST. ALBANS.

Dr. O. P. Blatchley and Family Drove
from Kansas Since May.

St. Albans, Sept. 23.—Dr. O. P. Blatchley and family of Kansas City, Kans., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Blatchley. Dr. Blatchley and his family left their home in May and made the trip of 2,420 miles by wagon, which was literally a house on wheels, consisting of kitchen, bedroom, parlor and parlor. The wagon weighs 1,850 pounds and measures 12½ feet long by four feet wide and is 10 feet high. The Blatchleys will leave for their home Thursday.

MISSING SINCE SEPT. 14.

Body of Frederick M. Gurney of Auburn,
Me., Found.

Leviaton, Me., Sept. 23.—The badly decomposed body of Frederick M. Gurney, aged 65, of Auburn, who had been missing since Sept. 14, was found by a searching party on the shore of Tacoma lake yesterday.

LARGE AUDIENCE
HEARD SABBATH PLEARev. M. D. Kneeland of Boston Spoke
at Barre Opera House Last Evening
at a Joint Service of Several
Churches.

Before an audience that filled the opera house last evening, Rev. M. D. Kneeland of Boston, secretary of the New England Sabbath Protection league, argued for a stricter observance of the first day of the week, taking for his subject, "The Continental Sabbath." Pastors and congregations from several churches in the city united in the union service, while musicians who led the singing and contributed solos during the evening were also drafted from several of the church choirs.

Dr. Kneeland prefaced his remarks with a condensed history of the organization which he represents and told about the fast-growing movement for the old-time observance of Sunday. Later his address was largely concerned with a description of the Lord's day observance in several continental countries. Observations made on his recent trip through Europe were mentioned by way of comparison with customs extant in America, and the speaker sounded a timely note of warning against the present-day tendencies toward Sunday observance as it is carried on in France, Germany, Belgium, Italy and other nations of Europe.

Rev. E. F. Newell, pastor of the Hedding Methodist church, made the invocation at the opening of the services, and Rev. J. B. Reardon of the Universalist church, read the scripture lesson. The speaker was introduced by Rev. Duncan Salmon, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and Rev. J. W. Barnett of the Congregational church, pronounced the benediction. Congregational singing was led by Rev. George H. Holt of the First Baptist church, and he in turn was assisted by a ladies' quartet from his own congregation. Mrs. Ronald Gauld sang twice during the services. The meeting partook of a nature of a rally for sabbath observance, and no small degree of interest was manifested in the plea made by Secretary Kneeland.

The Lord's Day league of New England, with which is affiliated the New England Sabbath Protective league, was incorporated in 1895. Its object has been to maintain the observance of Sunday as a civil rest day and a day for religious uses, and defending it against the encroachments of business and pleasure. Its methods include organization, agitation and education, the protection and enforcement of Sunday laws, and the securing of better legislation in the interests of the workingman and of good citizenship. Among its directors are Hon. John D. Long, LL. D., of Boston; Rev. W. H. vanAllen, S. T. D., of Boston; Rev. J. Galbraith, D. D., Boston; Rev. A. Z. Conrad, D. D., of Boston; Rev. H. Gibbs of Brookline, Mass.; Rev. H. A. Hervey of Somerville, Mass.; and Rev. Thomas Van Ness of Boston. The directorate includes a clergyman and lay members of a half-dozen denominations. Senator Carroll S. Page of Hyde Park is among the vice-presidents.

Dr. Kneeland declared that the question of Sunday observance is a composite picture of all the great issues that face the world to-day. The task of deciding whether the first day of the week is to be given over to business, pleasure and other secularities is one which involves the solution of many other trying problems. Lately there has been a tremendous influence for introducing the continental Sabbath in America, he stated, but this influence has been combatted by a steady wave of sentiment against a change. He attacked the class of people who favor Sunday baseball and said he had heard that the national game was played on Sundays down in Washington. Afterwards he told of an attempt to play the game in Boston Sabbath day and of how the authors of this effort were suppressed by the Protective league. He believed that the same law would prevail against the baseball players in Bennington. Dr. Kneeland denied that Roman Catholics were lined up in favor of a more liberal observance, and he quoted Cardinal Gibbons as being squarely opposed to any relaxing of the present manner of passing the day.

Much of the speaker's address was devoted to his tour through Europe as a representative of the Protective league. He declared that conditions in England, Scotland and Wales more nearly approached the ideal Sabbath than any other countries he visited. In Belgium, Holland, Germany, Austria, France, Italy and Switzerland, however, he asserted that the situation was actually alarming. From his general impression of Europe he concluded that the early hours of the forenoon were devoted to church going by some, while others did not attend at all. Toward noon the stores began to open, and by 1 o'clock all manner of places, such as eating houses, saloons, dance halls, wine halls, race tracks, bull fights, theatres and the like, were wide open and frequented by crowds of people. Even at Oberammergau, the scene of the Passion play, he declared that the Sabbath quiet was rudely disturbed by gamblers at their play and other breakers of the peace. Before finishing with Europe, the speaker took parting fling at Monte Carlo and decried the circumstances that made such a festering place for vice possible. The clergyman's purpose was plainly to draw a lesson from the iniquities of European Sabbaths, and he continually pointed out the danger of transferring the customs of Europe to American shores. An envelope collection was taken during the services in support of the movement.

FORMER RESIDENT OF BARRE.

Mrs. M. H. Hughes Died at Malden,
Mass., Last Tuesday.

The Malden, Mass., Evening News of September 19 contains the announcement of the death of Mrs. M. H. Hughes, a former resident of Barre, as follows: "Mrs. Marion H., wife of M. H. Hughes of 17 Grove street, passed away at the hospital Tuesday evening following an operation, in her 41st year. She had been ill about a year. Mrs. Hughes was a native of Charlestown and had made Malden her home for the past 25 years. She was an attendant of the Fairbank Methodist church, having resided in that neighborhood for a number of years. She is survived by her husband and a mother, Mrs. Annie M. Williamson. The interment will be at Woodlawn."

LEASE ELECTRIC PLANT.

Hardwick Voters Turn Over Proposition
to Woodbury Granite Co.

Hardwick, Sept. 23.—At the special village meeting Friday it was voted to accept the proposition of the Woodbury Granite company to lease the electric power station of the village for a term of five years, the company to furnish all the lights necessary for inside and street lighting, both at Hardwick and Wolcott, and also for power purposes at both places, for a stated sum, and it was voted to build an auxiliary at Jackson bridge not to exceed \$25,000 in cost.

STRANGE ACTS
BY YOUNG MANCulmination He Dumped Suit
case and Hat in Station

AND FLED ACROSS DEPOT SQ.

Suit Case and Headgear Still Remains
Unclaimed, Although the Young
Man's Performances Occurred
on Saturday Evening.

Officers at police headquarters are conducting a still hunt for a young man of peculiar disposition who alighted from the 8:30 train at the Central Vermont station Saturday night and presently disappeared from sight, leaving a derby hat and suit case in the middle of the station floor. It is believed that the man who left the train when it stopped at the station and afterwards threw attaches around the ticket office into a small panic by his strange actions is James G. Reardon of somewhere in New Hampshire. This mule was surmised when the police opened the suit case this morning and discovered letters addressed to James G. Reardon in several New Hampshire towns. None of the letters was signed and the officers have yet to find anyone who might identify the stranger.

Reardon first attracted attention soon after the train arrived, when he began to run wildly about the station, mumbling unintelligible words to himself the while. Acting on one impulse he would deposit his suit case and hat on the seat and lie down apparently in sleep. In the next moment he was flying almost madly to the door and looking out. By-standers instantly gathered that the man was laboring under a delusion, but as he molested no one he was allowed to pursue his irrational moves uninterrupted. Towards 10 o'clock he slammed his suitcase and hat down in the center of the station and started hatless out across Depot square. This was the last seen of him, so far as could be learned.

The police are convinced that the man is suffering from dementia and it is feared that he may commit some rash act before apprehended. His suitcase revealed a suit of clothes in good condition and a pair of shoes, besides a shaving mug and several letters. The case was neatly packed and nothing was discovered to give evidence of a disorderly mind. From the contents of several letters examined, the officers believe that Reardon was employed as a railroad engineer at one time or another. Letters retained at police headquarters were received by Reardon in Franconia, Reed's Ferry and Antrim, N. H.

One of the envelopes contains a letter from the offices of the Southern New England railroad, while another is supposed to be an advisory letter from some railroad official, apparently on terms of intimacy with Reardon, for a one-syllable nickname is subscribed. Several dainty little missives postmarked Malden and Wakefield, Mass., purport to come from the missing man's sweetheart. She refers to his whereabouts early in September several times, but furnishes little that could be used as a clue to his whereabouts. Letters from the woman are signed "Joey." In one of them she abjured the young man to give up drinking, and the police are disposed to believe that liquor may have been partly responsible for his condition Saturday night, although witnesses to his queer actions say that he acted more like a deranged person.

The missing Mr. Reardon is described as a young man of medium height and wore a black suit of ordinary appearance, a rubber raincoat, and tan oxfords. When last seen he was without a hat.